**Exempt Category 6  
TASTE AND FOOD QUALITY EVALUATION  
AND CONSUMER ACCEPTANCE STUDIES**

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| To qualify for exemption under this category, ONE of the following must be true. | |
| * 1. Does the research involve taste and food quality evaluation and consumer acceptance studies in which participants will consume ONLY wholesome foods without additives? | |
| Yes |  |
| No |  |
| —**OR—** | |
| * 1. Does the research involve taste and food quality evaluation and consumer acceptance studies in which participants will consume food that contains a food ingredient at or below the level and for a use found to be safe, or agricultural chemical or environmental contaminant at or below the level found to be safe, by the Food and Drug Administration or approved by the Environmental Protection Agency or the Food Safety and Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture? | |
| Yes |  |
| No |  |
| * If you answered ‘yes’ to either Question 1 or 2, your project likely qualifies for exemption:   + Complete any additional category worksheets applicable to your research;   + Proceed with completing Parts III-VI of the Exempt Application Form;   + Submit the items noted in the Submission Checklist at the end of the form to Research Compliance Services (RCS). RCS will review and verify the exempt determination;   + If RCS determines the study does not qualify for exemption, you will need to prepare and submit a protocol using the Initial Review Application. * If you answered ‘no’ to both Questions 1 and 2, this research is not exempt under this category. Return to the screening form to identify alternative categories for exemption. If you conclude that no categories are applicable to your research, your study is not eligible for exemption. Proceed with preparing an Initial Review Application. | |